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## VOICE IN ALL MANDATES CLAIMED BY U. S.

### NEW STYLE CRIMES RESULT FROM ATTEMPT TO ENFORCE VOLSTEAD PROHIBITION LAW

**Murders, Hold-Ups, Burglaries, Forgeries and Counterfeiting Grow in Striking Degree Due to Profits From Its Evasion—Law Fails to Suppress Sales of Liquor.**

The Evening World has just completed a survey of news items dealing with Prohibition enforcement and crimes growing out of violations of the Volstead act for the period from Jan. 17, 1920, when the Volstead law went into effect, to Feb. 24, 1921.

The survey establishes that at this time, more than thirteen months after the Enforcement Act was passed, arrests for violations are more numerous than they have been at any time in the period covered, in other words, although liquor valued at hundreds of millions of dollars has been seized, thousands of arrests have been made and a small army of violators have been sent to jail, the increased activities of the Prohibition agents indicate that the violations are more numerous now than they were a year ago or six months ago or even three months ago.

Prohibition enforcement news is a new classification which has made its way into the press of the past thirteen months. An idea of the space occupied by the news of enforcement and crimes associated with violations may be gained by consideration of the fact that The Evening World's investigator wrote more than 35,000 words of bare outline description of the items coming under the classification above mentioned. Very few days failed to furnish some news of the efforts to enforce Prohibition.

The news covers the country generally, but of course the bulk of it deals with happenings in this city and State and surrounding territory. The news from outside comes only from large cities where correspondents of the metropolitan dailies are stationed. The smaller towns of the country were not touched by the news-gathering machinery.

The record shows that hundreds of arrests have been made in New York City of which there appears no record in the press. This is proved by items showing the arrangements of offenders in batches of from twenty to one hundred at a time. The items scanned by The Evening World investigator dealt only with occurrences which had a news value considered by the editors as of importance.

Enforcement of the Volstead act has failed in the task of stopping the open sale of the manufacture and consumption of liquor in localities where public sentiment is opposed to Prohibition. It has encouraged secret manufacture for profit and home manufacture for consumption and secret drinking in communities where a referendum vote would probably show a majority of the people in favor of enforcement. Enforcement of the Volstead act has been accompanied by murders and violence. It has bred widespread bribery and corruption throughout the United States. Thousands of police officers, United States Mar-

### PROXIES ASK \$100 TO SERVE DRY JAIL TERMS, IS CHARGE

**Volstead Act Violators Pay High to Keep Out of Prison, Officers Hear.**

An investigation into a report saloonkeepers sentenced to fourteen-day terms in the Tombs for violation of the Volstead Act have been hiring substitutes to serve their sentences was begun several days ago. Prohibition agents who have made arrests are checking up 32 ment serving sentences. Thus far 24 checked up have been found to be the men originally arrested and sentenced.

Assistant United States District Attorney Reynolds, in charge of the investigation, admitted this afternoon the alleged substitution scheme was first called to his attention by George Donellan, a lawyer, who handles the cases of many saloonkeepers accused of violation. Mr. Donellan reported one of his clients had told him he was going to hire a substitute for \$100 to serve his term. After warning his client to drop the negotiations for a substitute Mr. Donellan immediately got in touch with the Federal authorities.

It is charged the deception is made easy by the practice of the judges to allow saloonkeepers a day or two after sentence in which to settle up their affairs. At the expiration of the period of grace, it is alleged, somebody reports to the Court in the name of the sentenced saloonkeeper and goes to jail in his stead. The price for a fourteen-day term, it is said, is \$100 and an allowance for special meals sent from a restaurant outside the prison.

No confirmation could be obtained today of a report about 100 Prohibition agents having been imported from Boston and Philadelphia for a massed raid on saloons and restaurants in New York. Daniel Clapin, enforcement officer, who arrived today from a visit to Chicago, refused to discuss the report. From other sources it was learned no strange agents have been seen around Prohibition enforcement headquarters.

### WILSON WILL RIDE WITH HARDING ON INAUGURATION DAY

**Plans Announced for Ceremony March 4 of the Simplest Character.**

**FEW TROOPS TAKE PART.**

**New President to Take Oath on Small Stand on Capitol Steps.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—President Wilson will follow the long established custom of riding to the Capitol with the incoming President on March 4, under plans of the Congressional Inaugural Committee, approved by the President. It was announced today at the White House.

Whether Mr. Wilson will attend the inaugural ceremonies has not yet been made known, but if he does not attend he will go direct from the Capitol to his new home on S Street. Four troops of cavalry, numbering 350 officers and men, will escort the President and the President-elect to the Capitol and then will accompany Mr. Harding to the White House.

The plans of the Congressional Committee as they became known today provide for the opening of the day's programme with a visit of the committee to the President-elect and Vice President-elect Coolidge at the New Willard Hotel. After this visit the entire party will enter automobiles and, accompanied by the cavalry, drive to the White House, where it will be joined by the President and Mrs. Wilson.

From the White House the procession will move over Pennsylvania Avenue to the Capitol. There the President and probably Mr. Harding will enter the President's room, where Mr. Wilson will sign the bills passed in the closing hours of Congress.

After the new Vice President has taken the oath in the Senate Chamber and has delivered his inaugural address, the guests will proceed to the steps at the east front of the Capitol, where Mr. Harding will be sworn in. As soon as he finishes his inaugural address the new President will depart for the White House.

Five hundred Marines in full dress uniform will be on duty at the Capitol, augmenting the regular Capitol police, and will form a lane through which the guests will pass in ascending the Capitol steps.

Mr. Harding will take the oath in a stand thirty feet square, which has been erected on the steps. This stand will accommodate only the President-elect, Chief Justice White, the members of the Congressional Committee and a few others. The other guests will stand during the ceremonies.

### MILLER MAY VETO ANTI-SCALPING BILL

**From a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.**

ALBANY, Feb. 24.—Gov. Miller strongly intimated that he would veto one of the theatre ticket scalping bills on the ground of unconstitutionality after a hearing in his office which began at noon and lasted an hour and a half. The Governor, however, will not express himself on the subject definitely before bills are filed by former Senator Henry Walters and Attorney Boyesen in favor of the bills and by Attorney Louis Marshall and Alden P. Chester in opposition to them. The bills will be filed to-morrow.

As for the bills themselves, no argument was advanced against them except the charge that they were illegally drawn and interfered with the business of the scalpers. This applied only to the bill limiting commissions to fifty cents above the box office price. As for the street scalping bill, a voice was raised in that favor, and there is a possibility that the Governor may sign that measure, putting them out of business.

### HARRY DAUGHERTY THROWS COLD WATER ON JOB HUNTING ARMY NOW IN WASHINGTON

**"Policies Will Come First With Harding," the President-Elect's Spokesman Tells the Newspaper Correspondents.**

(Special from a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—"Policies will have precedence over patronage," was the saddening message Harry M. Daugherty, the Col. House of the new Administration, and a member of the new Cabinet, delivered to office seekers at his conference today with the newspaper men.

"Appointments will have to wait while policies are being formulated," said he. "The first thing the new Administration will do will be to hold some conferences to map out policies, and the handing out of jobs will have to wait. Of course, some of the major appointments will have to be given attention, and we will get to all of them as rapidly as possible."

Hundreds of office seekers who expect rewards under the new Administration are already in Washington and at least 1,000 are expected in by inauguration day, prepared to stay until the plum tree is shaken.

"What the country wants and what the country expects," continued Daugherty, "is some relief and some substantial steps toward correcting things, as the people indicated by the result of the last election they

wanted corrected, and to get down to business.

"Appointments are all right and must come as rapidly as they can consistent with the formulation of a programme to get this Administration started."

"I think the President-elect will be here on the morning of March 3, and he will stay at the New Willard Hotel until time to be sworn in. He is going to Marion from Florida for a day before coming here."

Replying to a question in regard to Mr. Harding's attitude on tariff legislation, Daugherty said he could not speak for the President-elect on this.

"What about the programme to adopt the Payne-Aldrich schedules until a permanent tariff bill is worked out?" he was asked.

"I cannot discuss that," he replied, "but I understand Mr. Harding wrote a letter here to some one on that subject. I have no information on the subject."

Another conference of "best minds" is in prospect following Harding's inauguration, Mr. Daugherty indicated.

"President Harding will probably call to the White House after his inauguration as many as he can on his policies and how to put them into force," he said.

### FULL VOICE ON MANDATES CLAIMED BY UNITED STATES

**Says in Note to League It Must Be Consulted in Disposition of Colonies.**

PARIS, Feb. 24 (Associated Press).

—The United States Government in its note to the Council of the League of Nations on the question of mandates, claims an equal concern and interest with the other principal Allied and Associated Powers in the overseas possessions of Germany and in their disposition.

This was shown today when the note sent by the American State Department and laid before the Council of the League yesterday was made public.

The Council again took up the note this morning, considering it with particular reference to the claim advanced by the United States. Some of the other members held that America had forfeited such rights by withdrawing as an associated power from the Supreme Council.

In the summary of the note which was made public Wednesday it was revealed that the United States declared it had never given its consent that the Island of Yap, an important link in the chain of cable communications in the Pacific, be included in the territories subjected to the mandate of Japan.

The principal feature of the note, in addition to the points contained in the summary, was the American contention of equal right and interest in disposing of Germany's overseas possessions. On this the note said:

"As one of the principal Allied and Associated Powers, the United States has equal concern and inseparable interest with the other principal Allied and Associated Powers in the overseas possessions of Germany, and consequently an equal voice in their disposition, which it is respectfully submitted cannot be undertaken or effected without its consent."

Referring to the attribution of the

### NO FORMAL OFFER MADE TO HOOVER, SAYS HARDING

**He and Denby Are Still Under Consideration, President-Elect Announces.**

**HOOVER WILL ACCEPT.**

**Gives Out a Statement Saying He Has Communicated His Views to Harding.**

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 24.—Formal tenders are still to be made for the Cabinet posts of Secretary of Navy, Commerce and Labor. President-elect Harding said today.

Herbert Hoover is still under consideration for Commerce and Edwin Denby for Navy, Mr. Harding said.

It was assumed James J. Davis is still being held in mind for Labor. Mr. Harding praised both Hoover and Denby in a talk with newspaper men.

The President-elect will attend a business men's luncheon in Jacksonville to-morrow and a Mandate meeting there in the afternoon.

"Mr. Hoover's European relief work and other similar interests would be difficult to drop," said Mr. Harding.

"A prospective Cabinet member naturally would want some idea of the programme he would be expected to carry out before accepting the responsibility."

The President-elect deplored premature newspaper criticism as a "serious menace to popular government."

"It is unfair to criticize a man before he has had an opportunity to act in his capacity as a public servant," Mr. Harding said. "I am not insensible to such attacks, but the only reply to them should be action and service. If we fail in that, then we deserve to be criticized."

### HOOVER EXPECTS FREE HAND IF HE GOES INTO CABINET

**Communicates Views and Leaves Question of Appointment Up to Harding.**

Herbert Hoover has put his appointment to the Cabinet squarely up to President-elect Harding.

"I will accept the appointment to be Secretary of Commerce if Senator Harding wishes me to do so," he said at the offices of the American Relief Corporation, No. 43 Broadway.

"I have submitted to him constructive changes in the Department of Commerce as to its administration which I have urged him to accept. I am not to be understood as saying that my acceptance is dependent upon his approval of those suggestions. I only say that definite word as to his intention to appoint me must now come from the President-elect."

"But I have made it clear that if I am appointed I shall not relinquish the direction of the expenditure of the thirty or forty millions of dollars which the pub-

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### BILL TO RAISE PAY OF MAYOR TO \$25,000

(Special from a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

ALBANY, Feb. 24.—Senator Bernard Downey of New York City today introduced a bill raising the salary of the Mayor from \$15,000 to \$25,000 a year. Other proposed increases are as follows:

Comptroller from \$15,000 to \$25,000; President of Board of Aldermen from \$5,000 to \$10,000; Vice-Chairman of Board from \$4,000 to \$8,000; Chairman of Finance Committee from \$4,000 to \$8,000; majority and minority leaders from \$3,000 to \$5,000 and the remaining Aldermen from \$2,000 to \$5,000.

### JUDGE MAYER SENTENCES CRAIG TO 60 DAYS IN JAIL FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT

**Comptroller Refuses to Retract Alleged False Statements Made by Him in Connection With B. R. T. Receivership — Judge Manton Grants Habeas Corpus Writ.**

Comptroller Charles L. Craig was today sentenced to serve sixty days in the jail of Essex County, New Jersey, for contempt of court by United States Judge Julius M. Mayer. He was immediately taken into custody by a deputy marshal and taken to the office of United States Marshal McCarthy while his attorney, Edmund L. Mooney, made hasty preparations for an application for a stay of sentence.

Judge Martin T. Manton of the Circuit Court of Appeals granted a writ of habeas corpus on Mr. Mooney's petition within half an hour after Mr. Craig was sentenced. It was returnable for argument immediately. After arranging for bail in the event of a stay, Mr. Craig and Mr. Mooney hurried before Judge Manton.

Judge Manton, without hearing argument, paroled Mr. Craig in Mr. Mooney's custody until 2 o'clock next Thursday afternoon. At that time United States Attorney Caffey said he would raise the issue as to the right of a Circuit Judge to issue a writ of habeas corpus effecting a judgment of contempt by a District Judge.

### OFFICIAL OF BANK FACING CHARGES, KILLS HIMSELF

**William B. Bassett, Vice President of Phoenix National, With Institution 25 Years.**

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 24.—William B. Bassett, Vice President of the Phoenix National Bank of this city, shot and killed himself at his home here today. He shot himself with a revolver he had kept in his desk at the bank and had taken to his home last night.

President Leon P. Broadhurst of the bank this noon said that to the best of his knowledge and belief Mr. Bassett's accounts at the bank were absolutely straight.

Mr. Broadhurst said that between 4 and 6 o'clock Wednesday afternoon he had a talk with Mr. Bassett at the bank during which he told Bassett the latter must hand in his resignation as Vice President. Mr. Broadhurst said the charges were "conduct unbecoming an officer of the bank."

At the close of the conversation Bassett went to his desk and apparently began to read a newspaper. It was then, Mr. Broadhurst said, that the Vice President must have slipped the revolver into his pocket. Mr. Broadhurst took him home in his car. Mr. Broadhurst was to call a meeting of the directors today and lay his charges against Bassett before them, along with Bassett's resignation.

Mr. Bassett was forty-two years old, born in Hartford and began his service with the bank in 1896.

Electricians were at work with acetylene torches in the grand ball room on the third floor of the Hotel Plaza, 50th Street and Fifth Avenue, this morning when the insulation around a cluster of wires caught fire. The hotel had a fire department of its own and sixteen men from there hurried upstairs with apparatus. While they were getting the better of the blaze, which was slight, some one telephoned the city Fire Department, and an engine company arrived. The fire was then out.

The action against Comptroller Craig was based on a letter sent by him to Public Service Commissioner Lewis Nixon on Oct. 6, 1919, in which he asserted Judge Mayer "was denying to the city the right to see the original records of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company," which was then going into a receivership and "was standing between the public and the truth."

Judge Mayer had a few days before denied the Comptroller's request to be appointed a co-receiver for the B. R. T. as the representative of the city.

Mr. Craig entered the court room and smiling grimly faced Judge Mayer.

"I ask you," said Judge Mayer, "to purge yourself of contempt by making an unqualified retraction of the false statement made by you respecting the Court."

Mr. Craig was silent.

United States Attorney Caffey moved for the imposition of sentence.

"There has not been," said Mr. Mooney, "and is not now, any intention by the defendant to commit contempt of court."

Judge Mayer hesitated for a moment and then said in a low tone: "It is the sentence of the court that you serve sixty days in the jail of Essex County, New Jersey."

A Deputy Marshal stepped to the side of Mr. Craig and walked with him and Mr. Mooney to Marshal McCarthy's office.

Mr. Mooney said he would instantly start proceedings for an appeal from the sentence.

### DRY ENFORCEMENT BILLS REPORTED

ALBANY, Feb. 24.—Bills carrying out Gov. Miller's recommendations for strict enforcement of the Federal Prohibition amendment were reported favorably to the Assembly today by the Excise Committee. Briefly, the measures, of which there are three, are designed to provide for:

Rigid enforcement of the law by the county and municipal authorities. Abolition of the State Excise Commission and the transfer of its unfinished legal business to the Attorney General's office.

Granting to a person who becomes intoxicated the right to institute proceedings to recover damages from the person from whom he obtained the intoxicant.

The bills probably will be placed on the order of final passage early next week.

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